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Security Council

10 a.m. . . . . 6805th meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber GA-TSC-01

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Post-conflict peacebuilding[1]

   Report of the Peacebuilding Commission on its fifth session (S/2012/70)

   Note verbale dated 2 July 2012 from the Permanent Mission of Colombia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (S/2012/511)

[1]Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to no more than *four minutes*.

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

The co-facilitators on a monitoring mechanism to follow-up on all commitments related to Africa's development needs will hold an informal informal meeting *today*, 12 July 2012, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB). A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 13 June 2012, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

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General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

The co-facilitators of the intergovernmental process of the General Assembly on strengthening and enhancing the effective functioning of the human rights treaty body system will hold a thematic discussion on Monday, 16 July 2012, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB); on Tuesday, 17 July, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB); and on Wednesday 18 July, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m., in a conference room to be announced. A letter from the co-facilitators, dated 11 July 2012, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

There will be an informal informal meeting of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly on Tuesday, 17 July 2012, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 10 (NLB).

Briefing on the Secretary-General's Oceans Compact -- "Healthy Oceans for Prosperity"

A briefing on the Secretary-General's Oceans Compact, entitled "Healthy Oceans for Prosperity", will be held on Tuesday, 17 July 2012, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB). Ms. Susana Malcorra, Chef de Cabinet, Mr. Achim Steiner, Head of the High-Level Committee on Programmes and Executive Director of UNEP, and Ms. Patricia O'Brien, Under-Secretary-General for Legal Affairs, The Legal Counsel, will be in attendance. All interested members of permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend.

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

An informal meeting of the plenary of the General Assembly on the commemoration of the Nelson Mandela International Day will be held Wednesday, 18 July 2012, at 10 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall. A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 29 June 2012, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly

United Nations Conference on the Arms Trade Treaty

Main Committee 1

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Conference Room 1 (NLB)

Main Committee 2

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4 (NLB)

3–5 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4 (NLB)

Plenary

3–6 p.m. . . . . 9th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1 (NLB)

General exchange of views . . . . . [10]

Other matters . . . . . [16]

[Delegations are kindly requested to submit, *as soon as possible*, to the Secretary-General of the Conference, the credentials of representatives and the names of alternative representatives and advisers issued either by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, in accordance with rule 3 of the rules of procedure of the Conference.]

[Additional information on the United Nations Conference on the Arms Trade Treaty is available at <www.un.org/disarmament/ATT>. Please *click here* to consult the list of side events on the occasion of the Conference.]

International Civil Service Commission

Seventy-fifth session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2 (NLB)

1. Review of the level of the education grant *(continued)* . . . . . [4 (a)]
2. Base/floor salary scale . . . . . [5 (a)]
3. Overview of mobility policies within organizations of the United Nations common system [5 (f)]

Economic and Social Council

Substantive session of 2012

Coordination segment

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 27th meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development (A/67/81–E/2012/62) . . . . . [6 (a)]

Panel discussion on "Innovative mechanisms of financing for development"

Moderator:

Mr. Alexander Trepelkov, Director, Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs

Panellists:

H.E. Dr. Syed A. Samad, Executive Chair, Board of Investments, Office of the Prime Minister, Bangladesh

Mr. Denis Broun, Executive Director, UNITAID

Mr. David O'Connor, Chief, Policy Analysis and Network Branch, Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs

Ms. Shari Spiegel, Senior Economic Affairs Officer, Development Strategy and Policy Analysis Unit, Development Policy and Analysis Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs

Interactive discussion

3–6 p.m. 28th meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development (A/67/81-E/2012/62) . . . . . [6 (a)]

General discussion

The role of the United Nations system in implementing the ministerial declaration of the high-level segment of the 2011 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council . . . . . [4]

Action on draft resolution E/2012/L.9

[Informal informal consultations, convened by Ms. Tishka Fransis (Bahamas), on the draft resolution on the Committee of Experts on Public Administration (under agenda item 13 (g) of the general segment of the 2012 substantive session of the Council) will be held *today*, 12 July 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).]

[Informal informal consultations, convened by the vice-presidency of the Council (Mexico) and facilitated by Mr. Jorge Laguna-Celis (Mexico), on the draft resolution on "Tobacco or health" (under agenda item 7 (g) of the general segment of the 2012 substantive session of the Council) will be held *today*, 12 July 2012, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).]

[Additional information on the 2012 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council is available at <www.un.org/en/ecosoc/substantive2012/index.shtml>.]

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women

Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

Fifty-second session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 1045th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3 (NLB)

3–5 p.m. 1046th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 18 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women . . . . . [4]

Introduction of the combined fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh periodic reports of Bulgaria (CEDAW/C/BGR/4-7)

Working Group of the Whole

5–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3 (NLB)

[Additional information on the fifty-second session of the Committee is available at <www2.ohchr.org/english/bodies/cedaw/cedaws52.htm>.]

Other meetings

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Thursday, 12 July 2012

Group of 77 (on the 2012 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A (NLB)

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on the Revitalization of the General Assembly

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A (NLB)

Arab Group (on the United Nations Conference on the Arms Trade Treaty) (at the expert level)

6.15–8 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

Other activities

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Thursday, 12 July 2012

Special event on "Sustainable development goes local: How New York City cooperatives are advancing the United Nations Millennium Development Goals" (in commemoration of the International Day of Cooperatives) (co-organized by the Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and the United Nations Federal Credit Union (UNFCU))

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Felice Llamas, DESA (e-mail llamas@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2924).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp>.

Thursday, 12 July 2012

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

12 noon — Press briefing by the Spokesperson

General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

The sixty-seventh session will convene at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 18 September 2012, at 3 p.m., and the general debate will open on Tuesday, 25 September. The high-level meeting on the rule of law at the national and international levels will be held on Monday, 24 September. The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/67/50, and its annotations can be found in document A/67/100. A draft programme of work of the plenary for the sixty-seventh session is contained in document A/66/861, Section II.

Forthcoming official meetings

Friday, 13 July 2012

Economic and Social Council
Substantive session of 2012

Operational activities segment

10 a.m.–1 p.m. — 29th meeting — Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation *[3]*

10–10.30 a.m. Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

Opening of the segment

Statements by:

H.E. Mr. Desra Percaya (Indonesia), Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council

H.E. Mr. Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, President of the General Assembly

Mr. Sha Zukang, Under-Secretary-General of Economic and Social Affairs

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

Panel discussion: "Perspectives from programme countries: Dialogue with representatives of programme countries on progress in enhancing relevance, effectiveness and efficiency of United Nations development system since the 2007 comprehensive policy review of the General Assembly"

Moderator:

Ms. Astrid Helle Ajamay, Deputy Director-General, Royal Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Norway

Panellists:

H.E. Ms. Viviana Caro, Minister of Planning and Development, Plurinational State of Bolivia

H.E. Mr. Isa Tuwaijri, Minister of Planning, Libya

H.E. Mr. Julio Raudales, Minister, Ministry of Planning and External Cooperation, Honduras

H.E. Mr. Somchit Inthamith, Vice-Minister, Ministry of Planning and Investment, Lao People's Democratic Republic

Mr. Admasu Gedamu, Director, United Nations Agencies and Regional Economic Cooperation Directorate, Ministry of Finance and Economic Development, Ethiopia

Interactive discussion

3–6 p.m. 30th meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation [3]

3.30–4.30 p.m. Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

Panel discussion: "How to ensure that the sum total of the United Nations development system is larger than its constituent parts: Role of coordination processes"

Session 1: "What measures are required to strengthen the UNDAF process and the United Nations Resident Coordinator System in order to best exploit synergy among United Nations entities?"

Moderator:

Mr. Werner Puschra, Executive Director, Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, New York Office

Panellists:

Mr. Servacius Beda Likwelile, Deputy Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Finance, United Republic of Tanzania

Mr. Anouparb Vongnorkeo, Deputy Director-General, Department of International Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Lao People's Democratic Republic

Mr. Walubita Imakando, Director, Development Cooperation and International Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Zambia

Interactive discussion

4.30–6 p.m. Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

Session 2: "How can United Nations entities best exploit synergy in the area of administrative services at country-level: Challenges and opportunites"

Moderator:

Mr. Jens Wandel, Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Management, United Nations Development Programme, and Co-Chair, United Nations Development Group Joint Funding and Business Operations Network

Panellists:

H.E. Mr. Antonio Pedro Monteiro Lima, Permanent Representative of Cape Verde to the United Nations

Mr. Alberic Kacou, United Nations Resident Coordinator, United Republic of Tanzania

Mr. Christian Schornich, United Nations Business Practices Expert

Interactive discussion

[*Click here* to consult the list of side events to be held in conjunction with the operational activities segment of the Council.]

General Assembly

Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force Working Group on Border Management related to Counter-Terrorism

The Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force Working Group on Border Management related to Counter-Terrorism will hold a meeting, on Wednesday, 18 July 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB), to launch the Compendium of Border Control Instruments, Standards and Recommended Practices related to Counter-Terrorism.

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Sixth session

Burundi configuration

A formal meeting of the Burundi configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held on Wednesday, 18 July 2012, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Organizational Committee

An informal meeting (closed) of the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held on Friday, 20 July 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Economic and Social Council
Substantive session of 2012 (2–27 July 2012)

Informal informal consultations

Informal informal consultations, convened by the vice-presidency of the Council (Mexico) and facilitated by Mr. Jorge Laguna-Celis (Mexico), on the draft resolution on "Tobacco or health" (under agenda item 7 (g) of the general segment of the 2012 substantive session of the Council) will be held on Friday, 13 July 2012, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

Informal informal consultations, convened by the vice-presidency of the Council (Mexico), on the draft resolution on "Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development" (under agenda item 6 (a) at the coordination segment of the 2012 substantive session of the Council) will be held on Friday, 13 July 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

Informal informal consultations, facilitated by Ms. Tishka Fransis (Bahamas), on the draft resolution of the Committee on Public Administration (under agenda item 13 (g) of the general segment of the 2012 substantive session) will be held on Monday, 16 July, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 10 (NLB); and on Tuesday, 17 July, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E (NLB).

Lists of speakers

The lists of speakers for all segments are open for inscription. Requests for inscription on the lists of speakers should be sent, *in writing*, to the secretariat of the Council (Ms. Celia Syyap (e-mail syyap@un.org; room IN-0619A; or fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). ***The time limit set for statements under the high-level segment is 7 minutes and 5 minutes for all other segments.***

Informal event to discuss the transition from relief to development (18 July (morning))

An interactive panel discussion to discuss the transition from relief to development (Council decision 2012/212) will be held on Wednesday, 18 July, in the morning, and will be open to all interested participants.

Humanitarian affairs segment (18 July (afternoon)–20 July)
[Item 5 of the provisional agenda]

The humanitarian affairs segment will begin on Wednesday, 18 July, at 3 p.m., with opening statements, followed by a general discussion. The general discussion will continue on Friday, 20 July, in the afternoon. During the segment, there will also be a number of interactive panel discussions.

Requests for inscription on the lists of speakers for the humanitarian affairs segment should be sent, *in writing*, with the full name and title of the speaker, to the secretariat of the Council (Ms. Celia Syyap (e-mail syyap@un.org; room IN-0619A; or fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Inscription to the list of speakers for any of the above dates will close by 5 p.m. on the preceding day.

A detailed programme of the humanitarian affairs segment is available on the Web site of the Council <www.un.org/en/ecosoc/julyhls/pdf12/12_has_hls_programme.pdf>.

Click here to consult the list of side events to be held in conjunction with the humanitarian affairs segment of the Council.

General segment (23–27 July (morning))
[Items 6–14 of the provisional agenda]

The general segment will begin on Monday, 23 July, at 10 a.m., and will continue until Friday, 27 July, in the morning. *Lists of speakers will be maintained for the general discussion of the items under the segment*. The lists are open for inscription and will close by 5 p.m. on the day before the consideration of the item. Requests for inscription on the lists of speakers should be sent, *in writing*, with the full name and title of the speaker, to the secretariat of the Council (Ms. Celia Syyap (e-mail syyap@un.org; room IN-0619A; or fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

A detailed programme of the general segment is available on the Web site of the Council <www.un.org/en/ecosoc/julyhls/pdf12/12_gs_hls_programme.pdf>.

Conclusion of work (27 July (afternoon))

The Council will conclude the work of its substantive session of 2012 on Friday, 27 July, in the afternoon.

List of participants

Delegations should send, *in writing*, the names and titles of the members of their delegations (please indicate clearly the head and alternate head of delegation) as they would like them to appear in the official list of participants. Please send this composition of delegation to the secretariat of the Council (Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org; room IN-0620B; or by fax (1 (212) 963-5935)), *as soon as possible*, but no later than Wednesday, 25 July 2012. The list of participants will be issued as part of the official documents of the session.

Statements

In order to facilitate interpretation, delegations are kindly requested to provide 30 copies of their statements to the Conference Officers. Delegations wishing to have the full text of their statements circulated in the meeting should provide 250 copies to the Conference Officers.

Economic and Social Council

Tenth United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names

The Tenth United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names will take place from Tuesday, 31 July, to Thursday, 9 August 2012, in Conference Room 2 (NLB). The provisional agenda for the Conference is contained in document E/CONF.101/1. For further information on the session, please *click here*.

Members States and observers wishing to participate in the Conference are kindly requested to submit the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Conference, Mr. Sergei Cherniavsky, or to the Deputy Secretary, Ms. Jullyette Ukabiala (c/o Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)); with a copy to the Statistics Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (room DC2-1641A; fax 1 (212) 963-9851). Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names

Twenty-seventh session

The twenty-seventh session of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names will take place on Monday, 30 July, and Friday, 10 August 2012, in Conference Room 2 (NLB). The provisional agenda for the session will be issued in document GEGN/27/1. For further information on the session, please visit *click here*.

Members of the Group of Experts and observers wishing to participate in the session are kindly requested to submit the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Group of Experts, Mr. Sergei Cherniavsky, or to the Deputy Secretary, Ms. Jullyette Ukabiala (c/o Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)); with a copy to o the Statistics Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (room DC2-1641A; fax 1 (212) 963-9851). Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Forthcoming other meetings

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Eastern European Group (monthly meeting) (at the expert level)

Friday, 13 July 2012, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 10 (NLB).

Group of Least Developed Countries (at the ambassadorial level)

Friday, 13 July 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

African Group (Third Committee experts)

Friday, 13 July 2012, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

Association of Southeast Asian Nations: New York Committee

Thursday, 26 July 2012, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 10 (NLB).

Announcements

Friends of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DOALOS) for the commemoration of the thirtieth anniversary of the opening for signature of the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS)

The Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs, will hold a fourth meeting (closed) to discuss the in-kind contributions received towards the 10 December 2012 reception for the commemoration of the thirtieth anniversary of the opening for signature of the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, *today*, 12 July 2012, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in the DOALOS Conference Room (DC2 Building, 4th Floor). All interested representatives of permanent missions to the United Nations are invited to attend.

General Assembly **Seating protocol for the sixty-seventh session**

On Friday, 8 June 2012, the Secretary-General drew from among the Member States the name of Jamaica to occupy the first seat in the General Assembly Hall at the sixty-seventh session. Consequently, the delegation of Jamaica will sit at the first desk at the right of the President, and the other countries will follow in the English alphabetical order. The same order will be observed in the Main Committees.

Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the Permanent Representative or Chargé d'affaires of the Permanent Mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/66/251. Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org or dpu-dgacm@un.org, so as to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only. Further information may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-2332 or 1 (917) 367-5895; or by e-mailing at gaab@un.org or dpu-dgacm@un.org.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in Room DC2-1142, in English (French and Spanish), on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by e-mail (librarytraining@un.org) or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

Introduction to electronic resources (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Wednesday, 18 July 2012.

Introduction to the Map Collection (from 3 to 4.30 p.m.)

Tuesday, 24 July 2012; and

Thursday, 26 July 2012.

Introduction to United Nations documents (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Thursday, 26 July 2012; and

Thursday, 16 August 2012.

Introduction to e-Books (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon).

Tuesday, 28 August 2012

Overview of the Dag Hammarskjöld Library (from 11 a.m. to 12 noon)

Thursday, 30 August 2012.

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to remind all States parties to the international human rights treaties that the rules of procedure of all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to a meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in advance of a meeting and the Secretariat continues to receive numerous obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. In order to assist delegations with ensuring the timely submission of credentials, advance notice is given of the following meetings of States parties in 2012:

Thirty-second Meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (6 September 2012);

Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (12-14 September 2012); and

Fourteenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (18 December 2012).

All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting, in order to ensure the smooth running of the elections. Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs. Credentials for the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities should be sent to the secretariat of the Conference in the Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Credentials for all other meetings should be sent to OHCHR in New York. For any clarifications, please contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292; room DC1-504).

Kindly take note that all elections for the Committee on Economic Social and Cultural Rights, are organized by the secretariat of the Economic and Social Council, not by OHCHR. All queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Celia Syyap, Economic and Social Affairs Branch, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) (e-mail syyap@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0906).

Please note also that OHCHR is not responsible for the Human Rights Council elections. Queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Mary Muturi, General Assembly Affairs Branch, DGACM (e-mail muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2337).

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 11 July 2012

Security Council

6804th meeting

Peace consolidation in West Africa

Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the United Nations Office for West Africa (S/2012/510)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended invitations under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Said Djinnit, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Office for West Africa, and Mr. Yuri Fedotov, Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard briefings by Mr. Said Djinnit and Mr. Yuri Fedotov.

General Assembly

United Nations Conference on the Arms Trade Treaty

8th meeting

The President of the Conference made a statement.

General exchange of views . . . . . [10]

Statements were made by the representatives of the following non-governmental organizations: National Rifle Association of America; Defense Small Arms Advisory Council; Small Arms and Ammunition Manufacturers Institute; World Forum on the Future of Sport Shooting Activities; Firearms Importers Roundtable; The Heritage Foundation; International Committee for Museums of Arms and Military History; Amnesty International; Oxfam International; International Action Network on Small Arms; Women's Right to Education Programme; and Control Arms Campaign.

The President of the Conference made a statement.

Economic and Social Council

Substantive session of 2012

Coordination segment

25th meeting

The role of the United Nations system in implementing the ministerial declaration of the high-level segment of the 2011 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council [4]

The Council continued its consideration of the agenda item.

Panel discussion: "Mobilizing partnerships for development, including in the field of education"

The panel discussion was chaired by the Vice-President of the Council, H.E. Mr. Mootaz Ahmadein Khalil (Egypt), who made an opening statement.

Ms. Sigrid Kaag, Assistant Secretary-General and Assistant Administrator and Director of the Bureau of External Relations and Advocacy, United Nations Development Programme, moderated the panel discussion.

Presentations were made by the following panellists: H.E. Dr. Amr Ezzat Salama, Counsellor, American University in Cairo, and former Minister of Higher Education, Scientific Research and Technology, Egypt; Dr. Andreas Koenig, Head of Section, Technical and Vocational Education and Training and Labour Markets, German Society for International Corporation (GIZ) Germany; Mr. Abdalla Hamdok, Deputy Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa; and Mr. Ron Bruder, Founder and Chair, Education for Employment Foundation.

An interactive discussion ensued, during which the panellists responded to the interventions by the representatives of Egypt, the Republic of Korea and Germany, as well as by the observers for the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and Croatia.

The following participants also took part in the discussion: Ms. Christine Evans Klock, Director of the Skills and Employability Department of the International Labour Organization and Mr. Philippe Kridelka, Director of the New York Liaison Office of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

The Vice-President (Egypt) summarized the discussion.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Vice-President (Egypt).

26th meeting

The role of the United Nations system in implementing the ministerial declaration of the high-level segment of the 2011 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council [4]

General discussion

The Council continued its consideration of the agenda item.

The Vice-President (Egypt), made a statement.

Statements were also made by the representatives of Switzerland, Brazil Australia, Canada, Ukraine, Argentina, Mexico, Burkina Faso and the United States, as well as by the observers for Algeria (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Nepal (on behalf of the Group of Least Developed Countries), Norway and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

The representative of the World Food Programme also made a statement.

Coordination, programme and other questions . . . . . [7]

(a) Reports of coordination bodies

Introduction of the report and question-and-answer period

The Assistant Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Inter-Agency Affairs of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs introduced the annual overview report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination for 2011/2012 (E/2012/67) and responded to questions and comments made by the representatives of the United States, Brazil, Bangladesh and Cuba.

Organization of work

The Vice-President (Spain) made a statement.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. New York, 16 December 1966

Notification under article 4 (3): Peru (10 July 2012)[1]

International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance. New York, 20 December 2006

Ratification: Colombia (11 July 2012)[1]

[1]Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

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